

# *Advanced Computer Graphics* *Materials 1*

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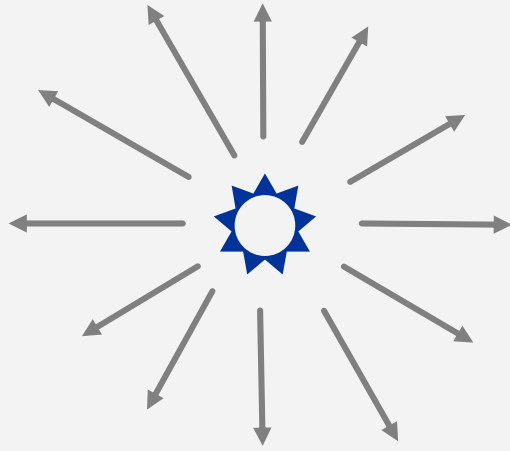


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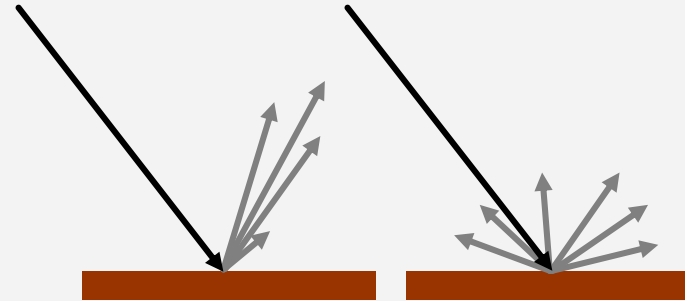
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- Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function BRDF
  - Definition
  - Application
  - Exemplary materials
  - Properties
- Reflectance
- Material modeling
- Transparent materials

# Context



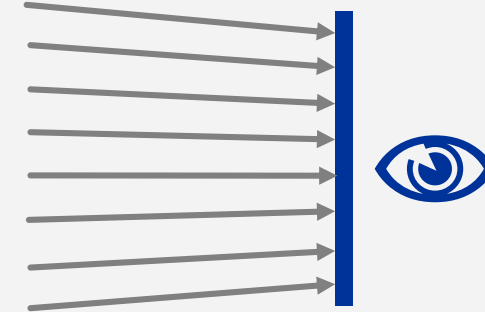
Light is emitted  
at light sources



specular

diffuse

Light is absorbed and  
scattered at surfaces



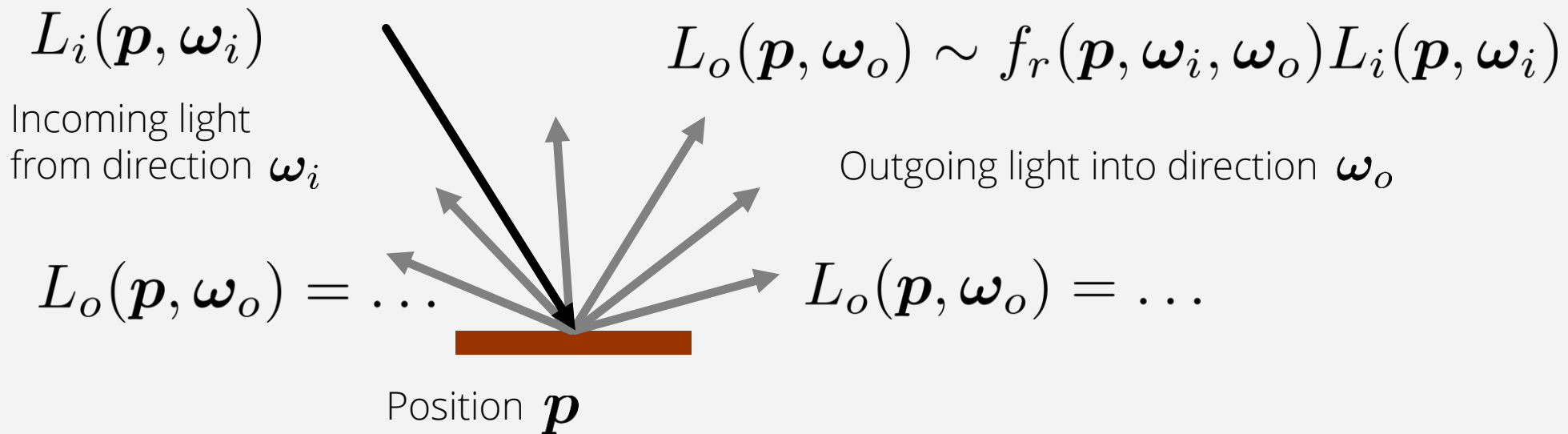
Cameras  
capture light

- Light absorption and scattering at surfaces is governed by material properties
- How to represent material properties?

# Surface Reflection Properties

- How much incident light from a particular direction is reflected into a particular direction?

⇒ Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function BRDF  $f_r$



# Surface Reflection Models

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- Surfaces have reflection properties
  - How much flux is absorbed?
  - Which part of the flux is reflected?
  - How is it reflected?
- E.g., empirical Phong model
  - Efficient to compute
  - Physically motivated
  - Does not capture all aspects of real materials (too few degrees of freedom)

# Surface Reflection Models

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- Theoretical reflectance models
  - Have more degrees of freedom
- Theoretical models can consider
  - Incoming and outgoing angle of flux
  - Incoming and outgoing wavelength of flux (fluorescence)
  - Incoming and outgoing polarization (linear and circular)
  - Incoming and outgoing position (subsurface scattering)
  - Time delay between incoming and outgoing flux (phosphorescence)

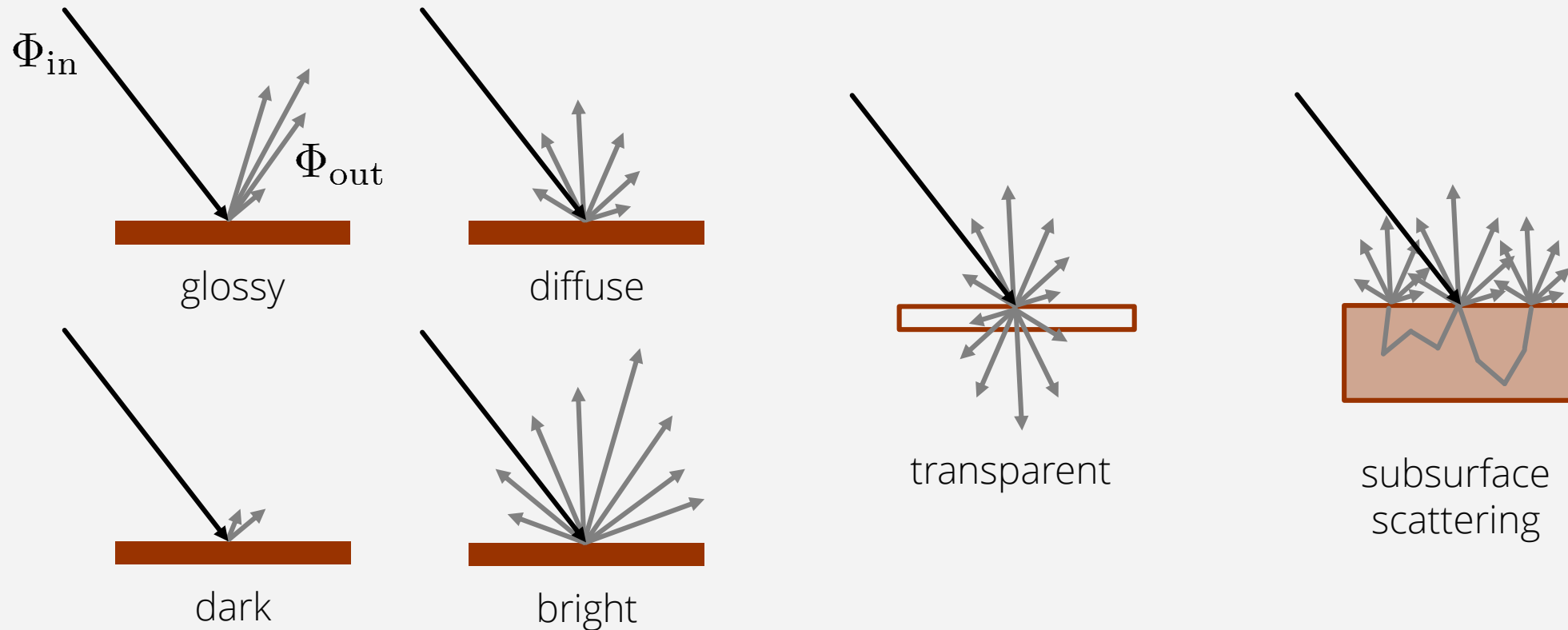
# Surface Reflection Models

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- Incident light is partially reflected or absorbed depending on the absorbance spectrum of the surface (surface **color**)
- Reflected light is scattered by the surface depending on the surface roughness
  - Smooth surface (small patches with uniform orientation)
    - **Specular** or **glossy** reflection
    - Light is reflected into dominant reflection directions
  - Rough surface (small patches with varying orientation)
    - **Diffuse** (Lambertian) reflection
    - Light is reflected into many directions

# Materials

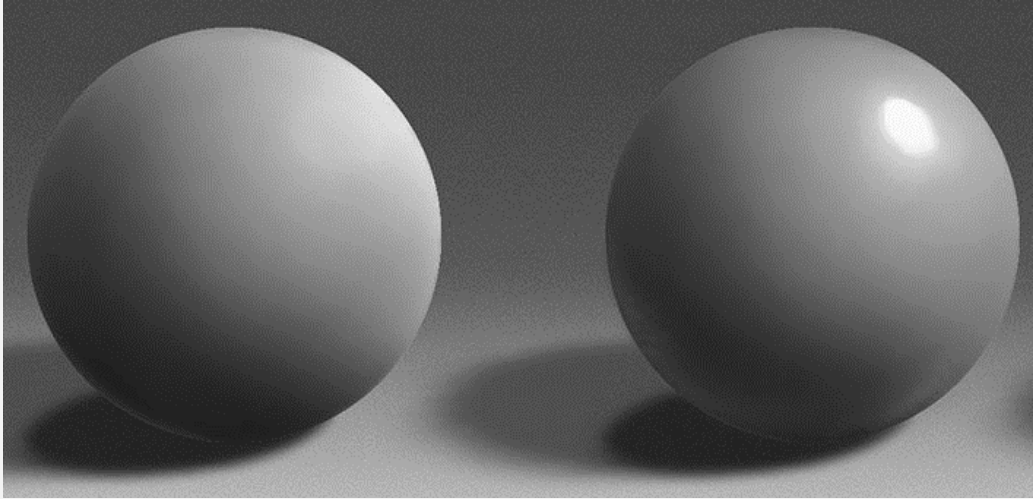
- Can be described by relating incident and exitant flux





# Materials

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diffuse

glossy



transparent



subsurface scattering

[Oliver Wetter]

[David Turesson]

[<https://cgiknowledge.wordpress.com/>]

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# Introduction

- Incident radiance  $L_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i)$  at position  $\mathbf{p}$  from direction  $-\boldsymbol{\omega}_i$  induces irradiance at  $\mathbf{p}$ :

$$dE_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) = L_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i$$

- Flux is partially absorbed:  $0 \leq \rho \leq 1$  is a reflectance coefficient.

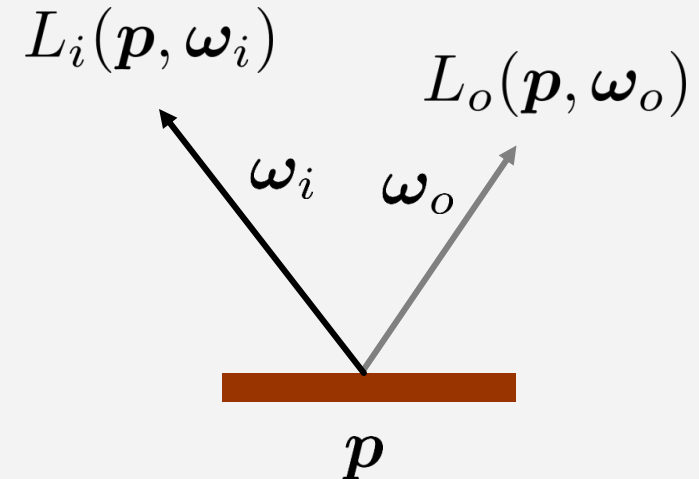
$$dB_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) = \rho(\mathbf{p}) dE_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i)$$

- Reflected flux into direction  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_o$

$$dL_o(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) \sim dB_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \sim dE_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i)$$

Reflection pattern

Reflectance



$\boldsymbol{\omega}_i$  represents the direction of the incident radiance. Per definition, all directions point away from the surface. I.e., incident radiance travels along  $-\boldsymbol{\omega}_i$ .

# Definition

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- For all pairs of directions  $\omega_i$  and  $\omega_o$ , the ratio of outgoing radiance towards  $\omega_o$  and irradiance due to incoming radiance from  $-\omega_i$  is referred to as BRDF:  $f_r(\mathbf{p}, \omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{dL_o(\mathbf{p}, \omega_o)}{dE_i(\mathbf{p}, \omega_i)}$
- BRDF typically depends on a position and two directions
  - Directions form a solid angle of  $2\pi$  for opaque surfaces and  $4\pi$  for transparent surfaces
  - Various variants. E.g., BRDF can depend on two positions for subsurface scattering  $f_r(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_o, \omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{dL_o(\mathbf{p}_o, \omega_o)}{dE_i(\mathbf{p}_i, \omega_i)}$

# Application

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- Relation between irradiance and exitant radiance

$$dL_o(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) = f_r(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) dE_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i)$$

- Irradiance is induced by radiance

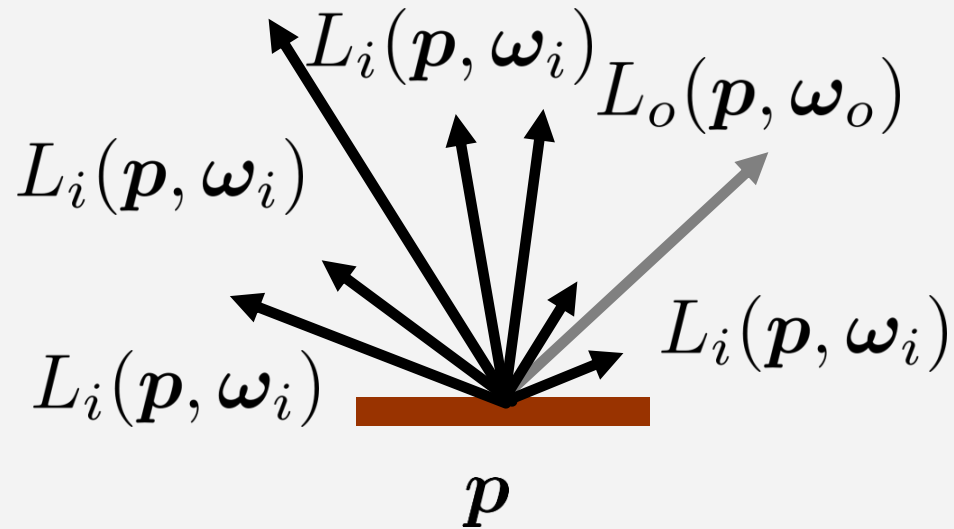
$$dL_o(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) = f_r(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) L_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i$$

- Integration over the hemisphere  $\Rightarrow$  reflectance equation

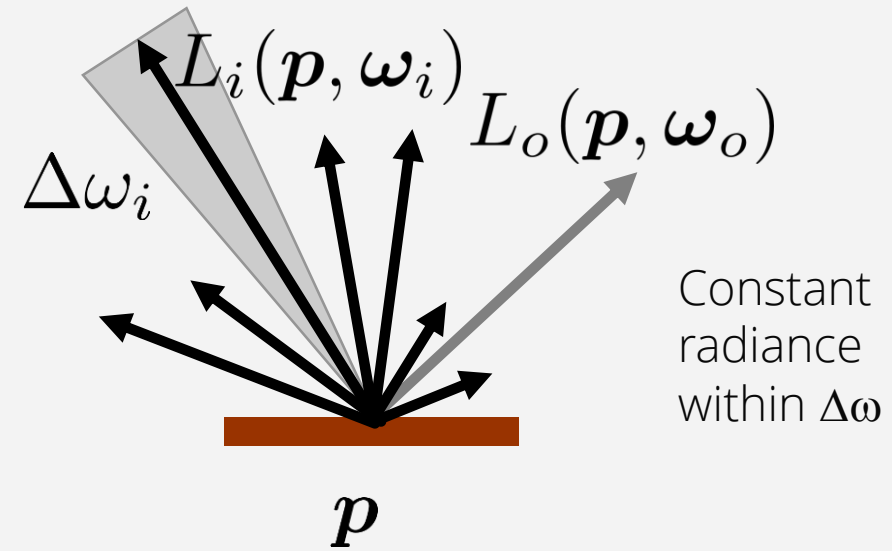
$$L_o(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) = \int_{2\pi} f_r(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) L_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i$$

- Reflectance equation establishes a relation between incident and exitant radiance

# Reflectance Equation

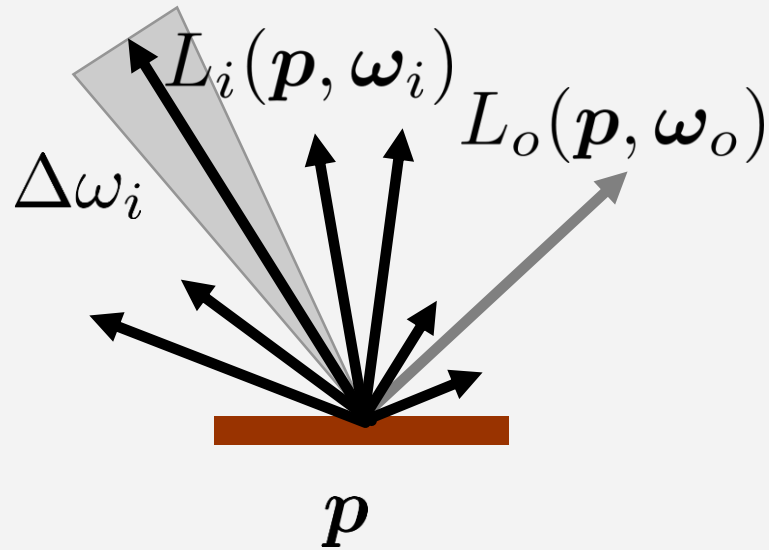


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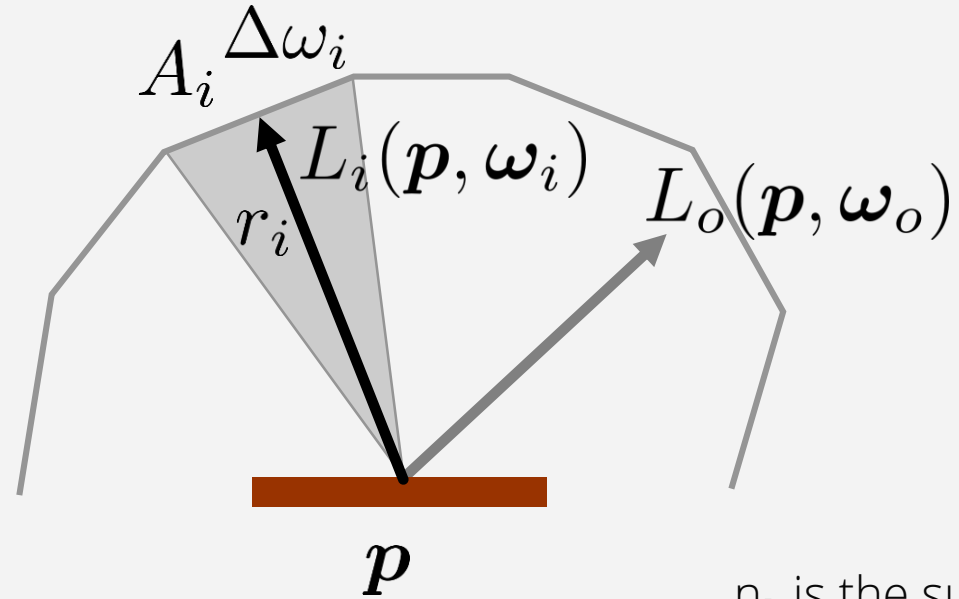


$$L_o(\mathbf{p}, \omega_o) \approx \sum_i f_r(\mathbf{p}, \omega_i, \omega_o) L_i(\mathbf{p}, \omega_i) \cos \theta_i \Delta\omega_i$$

# Reflectance Equation



$$L_o(\mathbf{p}, \omega_o) \approx \sum_i f_r(\mathbf{p}, \omega_i, \omega_o) L_i(\mathbf{p}, \omega_i) \cos \theta_i \Delta\omega_i$$



$$\Delta\omega_i \approx \frac{\cos(-\omega_i, \mathbf{n}_{A_i})}{r_i^2} A_i$$

$$L_o(\mathbf{p}, \omega_o) \approx \sum_i f_r(\mathbf{p}, \omega_i, \omega_o) L_i(\mathbf{p}, \omega_i) \frac{\cos(\omega_i, \mathbf{n}_p) \cos(-\omega_i, \mathbf{n}_{A_i})}{r_i^2} A_i$$

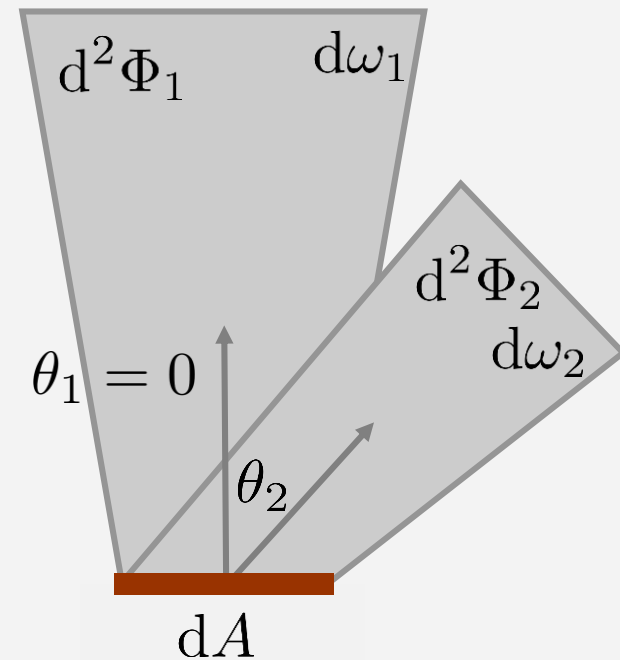
$\mathbf{n}_p$  is the surface normal at  $p$ .  
 $\mathbf{n}_{A_i}$  is the surface normal at  $A_i$ .

# Example - Diffuse Reflection

- Lambertian model
  - Def: Reflected flux is proportional to the cosine of the angle between flux direction and surface normal
  - $\Phi \sim \cos \theta$
  - $\Phi^\perp = \frac{\Phi_1}{\cos \theta_1} = \frac{\Phi_2}{\cos \theta_2}$
  - Outgoing radiance is equal in all directions

$$\begin{aligned} L_1 &= \frac{d^2 \Phi_1}{d\omega_1 \cdot \cos \theta_1 \cdot dA} = \\ &= \frac{d^2 \Phi_2}{d\omega_2 \cdot \cos \theta_2 \cdot dA} = L_2 \end{aligned}$$

$d\omega_1 = d\omega_2$  denote two solid angles of the same size with different directions.





# Example - Diffuse Reflection

– From a viewer's perspective

– More flux per surface area is sent towards viewer 1

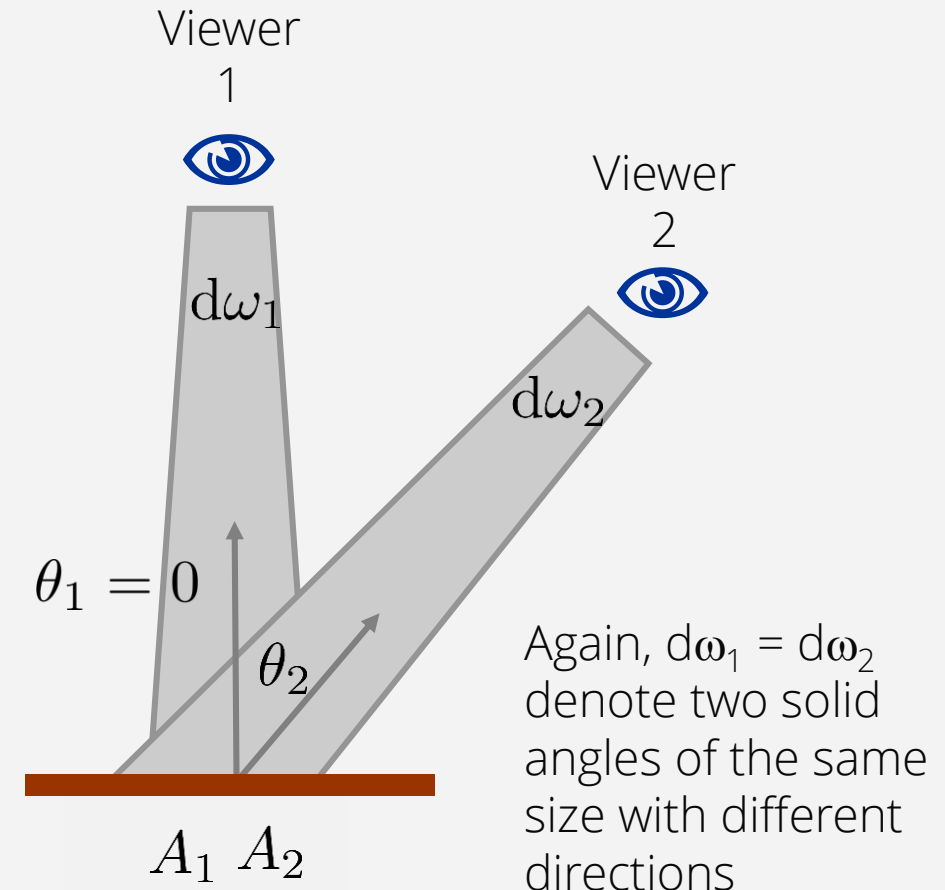
$$\Phi^\perp = \frac{\Phi_1}{\cos \theta_1} = \frac{\Phi_2}{\cos \theta_2} = \frac{\Phi_i}{\cos \theta_i}$$

– Viewer 2 receives flux from (sees) a larger surface area

$$A^\perp = A_1 \cdot \cos \theta_1 = A_2 \cdot \cos \theta_2 = A_i \cdot \cos \theta_i$$

– Both effects cancel which results in the same flux and radiance towards both viewers

$i$  denotes an arbitrary direction



# BRDF for Diffuse Reflecting Material

- Illumination  $L_i(\omega_i)$
- Induced surface irradiance  $dE_i(\omega_i) = L_i(\omega_i) \cdot \cos \theta_i \cdot d\omega_i$
- Overall irradiance  $E = \int_{2\pi} L_i(\omega_i) \cdot \cos \theta_i \cdot d\omega_i$
- Partially absorbed. Resulting radiosity

$$B = \rho \cdot E \quad 0 \leq \rho \leq 1 \quad \rho - \text{reflectance}$$

$$B = \int_{2\pi} L_o(\omega_o) \cdot \cos \theta_o \cdot d\omega_o = L_o \cdot \int_{2\pi} \cos \theta_o d\omega_o = L_o \cdot \pi \quad \text{see next slide}$$

$$\rho \cdot E = \pi \cdot L_o \quad L_o = \frac{\rho}{\pi} E = \int_{2\pi} \frac{\rho}{\pi} \cdot L_i(\omega_i) \cdot \cos \theta_i \cdot d\omega_i$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{r,d}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{\rho}{\pi} \quad \text{BRDF is constant for diffuse reflecting material}$$

# Integrating Over Solid Angles

- Directions can be represented with two angles
- Differential area spanning from  $\theta$  to  $\theta+d\theta$  and from  $\phi$  to  $\phi+d\phi$

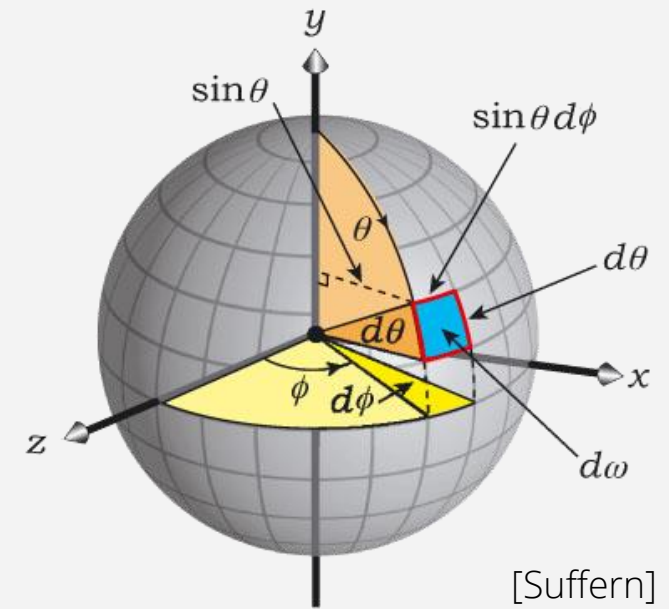
$$dA = r \, d\theta \, r \, \sin \theta \, d\phi \quad \text{see next slide}$$

- Differential solid angle

$$d\omega = \frac{dA}{r^2} = \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi$$

- E.g., integral over the hemisphere

$$\int_{2\pi} f(\omega) \, d\omega = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} f(\theta, \phi) \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi$$



$2\pi$  indicates the hemisphere above an opaque surface

# Integrating Over Solid Angles

–  $dA = da_1 \cdot da_2$

$$da_1 = 2 \cdot r \cdot \sin \frac{d\theta}{2}$$

$$da_2 = 2 \cdot r \cdot \sin \frac{\sin \theta d\phi}{2}$$

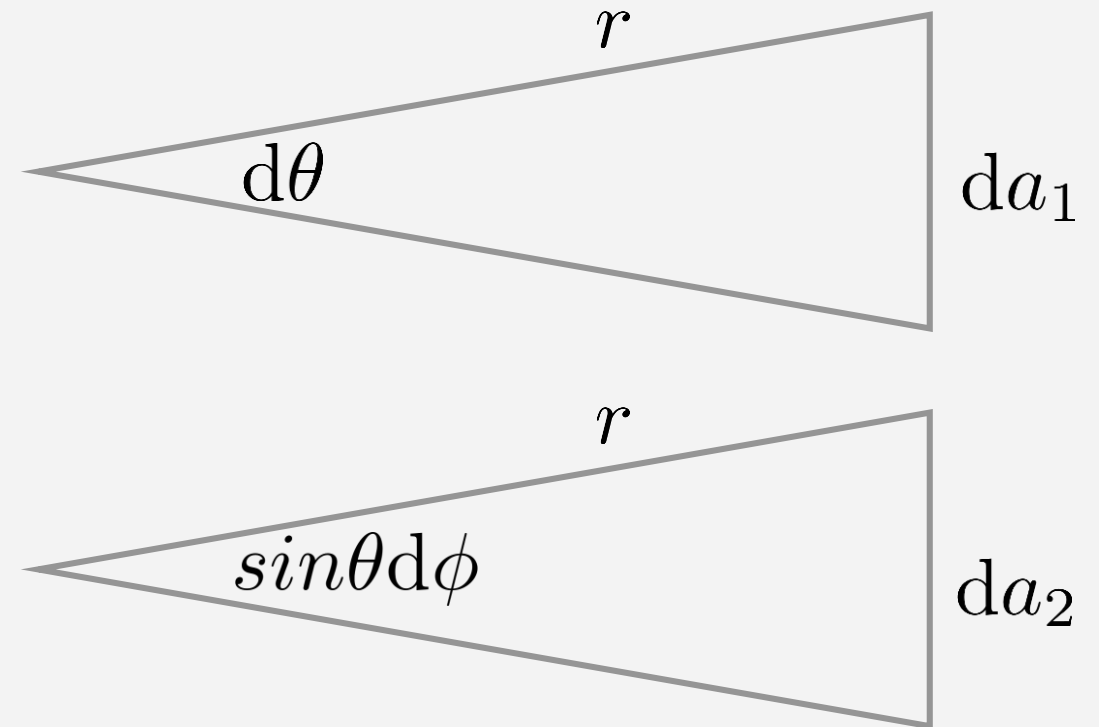
–  $\sin(x + h) = \sin(x) + h \cdot \cos(x) + O(h^2)$

$$x = 0 \rightarrow \sin(h) = h + O(h^2)$$

$$\sin(h) \approx h$$

–  $da_1 \approx 2 \cdot r \cdot \frac{d\theta}{2} \quad da_2 \approx 2 \cdot r \cdot \frac{\sin \theta d\phi}{2}$

$$dA \approx r^2 \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi$$



# Exemplary Integrals

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- Solid angle of a hemisphere

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{2\pi} 1 d\omega &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi = \int_0^{2\pi} [-\cos \theta]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \, d\phi \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} 1 \, d\phi \\ &= 2\pi\end{aligned}$$

- Solid angle of a sphere

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{4\pi} 1 d\omega &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi = \int_0^{2\pi} [-\cos \theta]_0^{\pi} \, d\phi \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} 2 \, d\phi \\ &= 4\pi\end{aligned}$$

# Integrating a Cosine Lobe

- E.g., to determine the irradiance at a point

$$E_i(\mathbf{p}) = \int_{2\pi} L_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i$$

- General form

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^n \theta \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi = \int_0^{2\pi} \left[ -\frac{\cos^{n+1} \theta}{n+1} \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} d\phi = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{n+1} d\phi = \frac{2\pi}{n+1}$$

- E.g., constant radiance from / into all directions

$$E(\mathbf{p}) = \int_{2\pi} L_i(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i = L_i(\mathbf{p}) \int_{2\pi} \cos \theta_i d\omega_i = \pi L_i(\mathbf{p})$$

$$B(\mathbf{p}) = \int_{2\pi} L_o(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) \cos \theta_o d\omega_o = L_o(\mathbf{p}) \int_{2\pi} \cos \theta_o d\omega_o = \pi L_o(\mathbf{p})$$

- Diffuse reflection  $L_o(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{B(\mathbf{p})}{\pi} = \frac{\rho}{\pi} E(\mathbf{p})$

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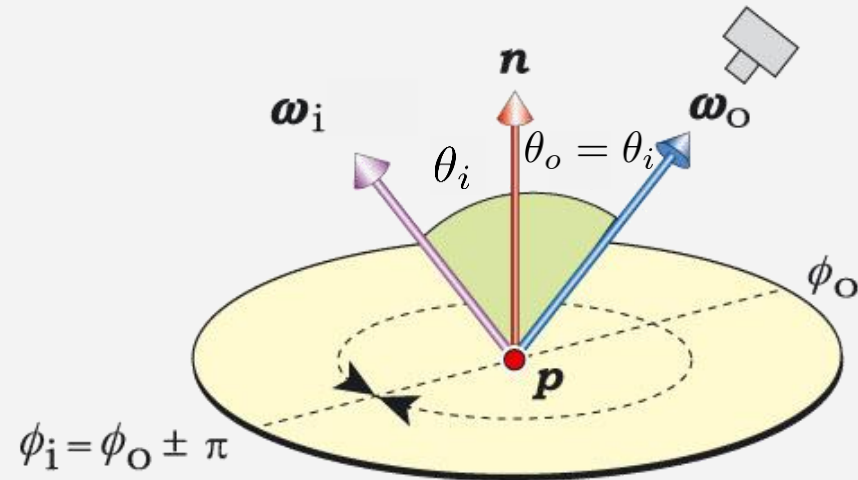
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# Example – Mirror Reflection

- Each ray of incident flux produces one ray of outgoing flux into a mirrored direction
- Reflectance  $0 \leq \rho \leq 1$
- BRDF

$$f_{r,m}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \rho \frac{1}{\cos \theta_i \sin \theta_i} \delta(\theta_o - \theta_i) \delta(\phi_o \pm \pi - \phi_i)$$



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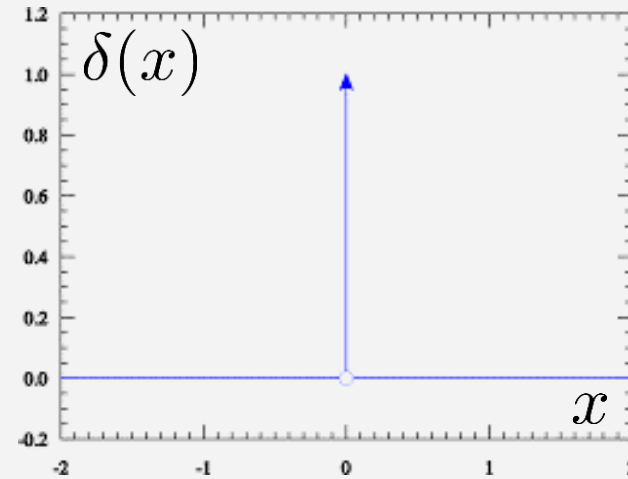
# Example – Mirror Reflection

- Delta function

$$x \neq 0 \rightarrow \delta(x) = 0 \quad \int \delta(x) dx = 1$$

$$\int f(x) \delta(y - x) dx = f(y)$$

$$\int f(x) \delta(x - y) dx = f(y)$$



- Mirrored radiance

$$\begin{aligned} L_o(\theta_o, \phi_o) &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \rho \frac{1}{\cos \theta_i \sin \theta_i} \delta(\theta_o - \theta_i) \delta(\phi_o \pm \pi - \phi_i) L_i(\theta_i, \phi_i) \cos \theta_i \sin \theta_i d\theta_i d\phi_i \\ &= \rho \int_0^{2\pi} \delta(\phi_o \pm \pi - \phi_i) \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} L_i(\theta_i, \phi_i) \delta(\theta_o - \theta_i) d\theta_i d\phi_i \\ &= \rho \int_0^{2\pi} L_i(\theta_o, \phi_i) \delta(\phi_o \pm \pi - \phi_i) d\phi_i \\ &= \rho L_i(\theta_o, \phi_o \pm \pi) = \rho L_i(\theta_i, \phi_i) \end{aligned}$$

# BRDF Properties

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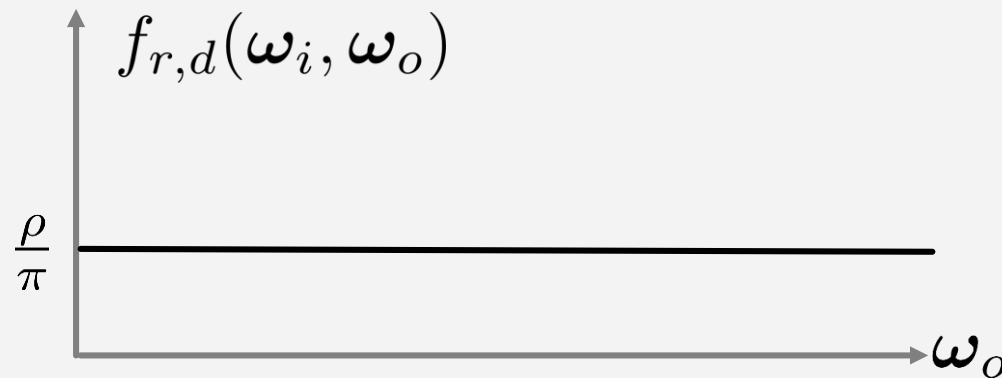
- Values are positive  $f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) \geq 0$ 
  - Incident flux cannot induce negative exitant flux
- Helmholtz reciprocity:  $f_r(\omega_o, \omega_i) = f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o)$ 
  - If incident and exitant flux are reversed, the BRDF value remains the same

# BRDF Properties

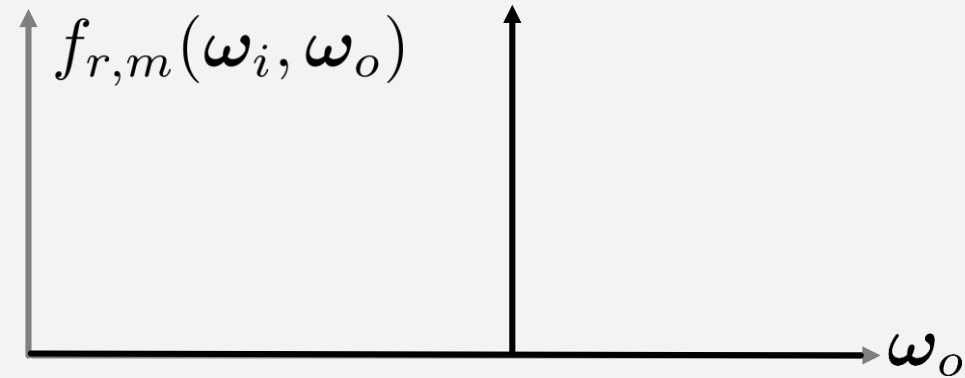
- Values can be arbitrarily large
  - E.g., mirror reflection
  - Ratio of exitant flux to the illumination effect of incident flux

$$f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{dL_o(\omega_o)}{dE_i(\omega_i)} = \frac{dL_o(\omega_o)}{L_i(\omega_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i}$$

Graphs are shown for one specific, fixed  $\omega_i$



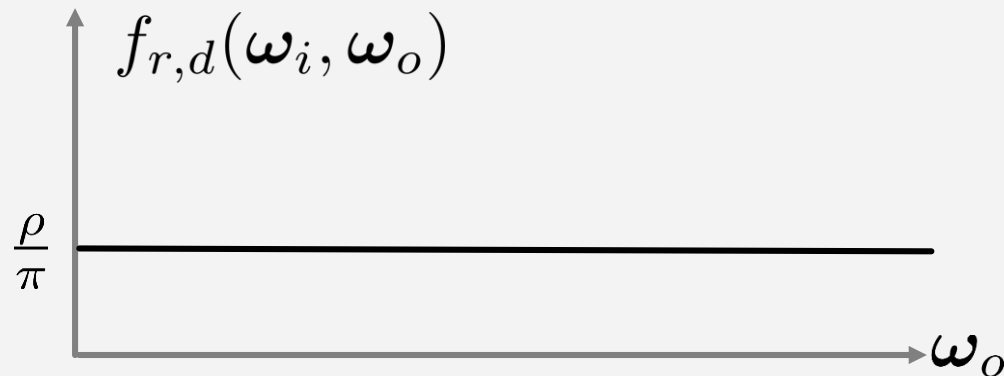
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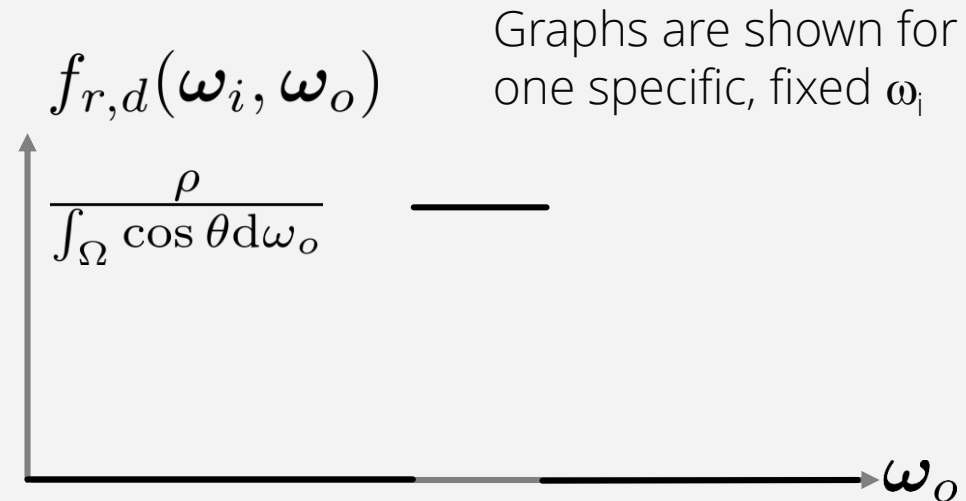
Mirror reflection

# BRDF Properties

- Diffuse reflection



Diffuse reflection  
into the hemisphere



Diffuse reflection  
into a solid angle  $\Omega < 2\pi$

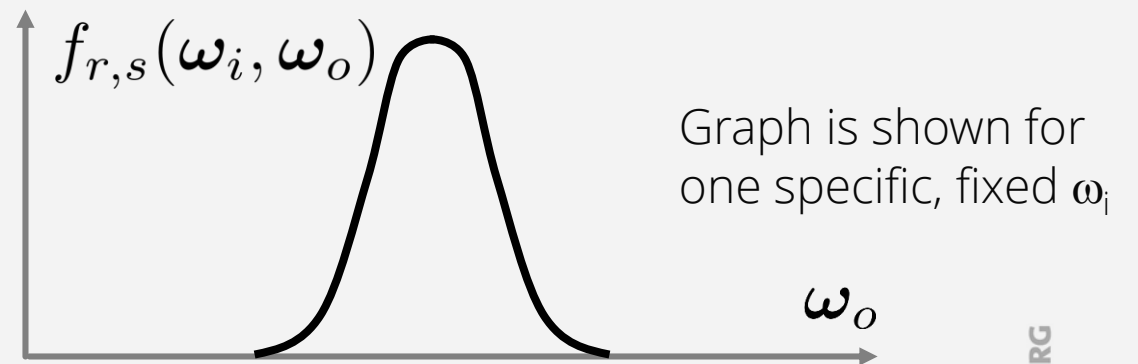
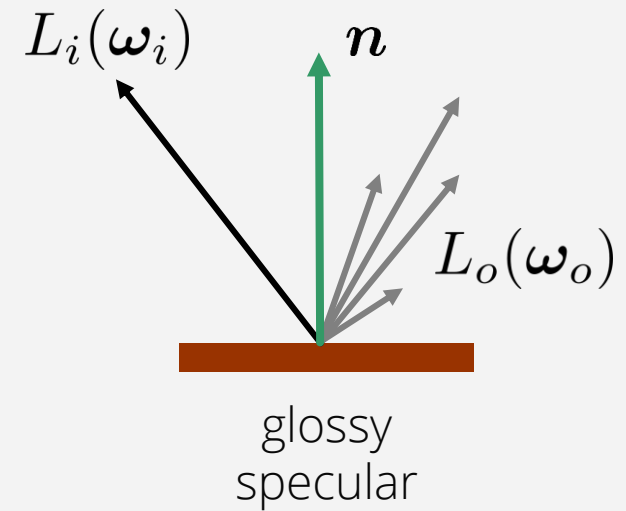
- If the solid angle of reflected flux gets smaller, the respective BRDF values get larger

# Example - Glossy / Specular Reflection

- Incoming flux from direction  $\omega_i$  is scattered, but concentrated around the reflection direction  $\omega_o$
- Reflectance  $0 \leq \rho \leq 1$
- BRDF

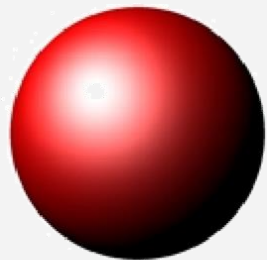
$$f_{r,s}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \rho \left( (2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \omega_i) \cdot \mathbf{n} - \omega_i) \cdot \omega_o \right)^e$$

In this term,  $\mathbf{n}$ ,  $\omega_i$ ,  $\omega_o$  are represented with 3D normalized vectors

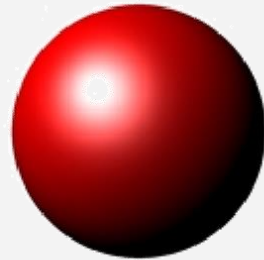


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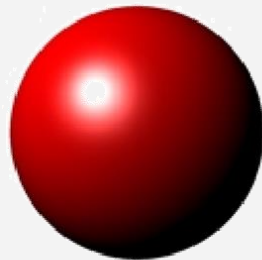
- BRDF  $f_{r,s}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \rho ((2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \omega_i) \cdot \mathbf{n} - \omega_i) \cdot \omega_o)^e$   $\mathbf{n}, \omega_i, \omega_o$  are represented with 3D normalized vectors
- $\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{n}, \omega_i) = 2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \omega_i) \cdot \mathbf{n} - \omega_i$  is the reflection direction of  $\omega_i$
- $\alpha$  is the angle between  $\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{n}, \omega_i)$  and  $\omega_o$
- $\rho ((2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \omega_i) \cdot \mathbf{n} - \omega_i) \cdot \omega_o)^e$   
 $= \rho (\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{n}, \omega_i) \cdot \omega_o)^e = \rho \cos^e \alpha$



Specular Exponent = 8

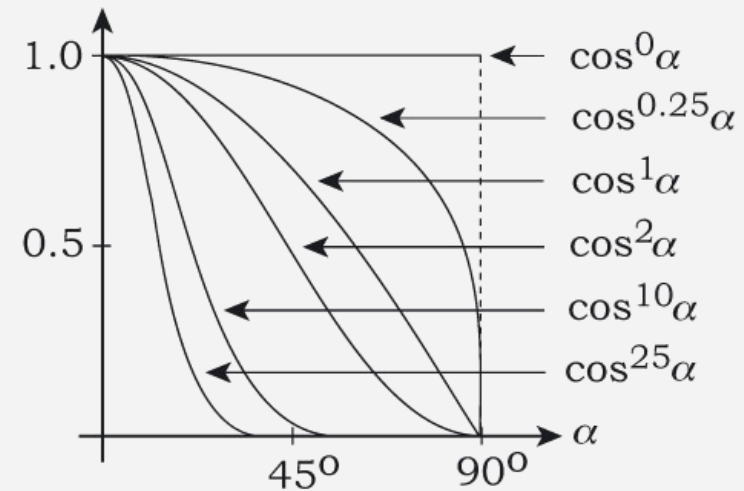


Specular Exponent = 16



Specular Exponent = 32

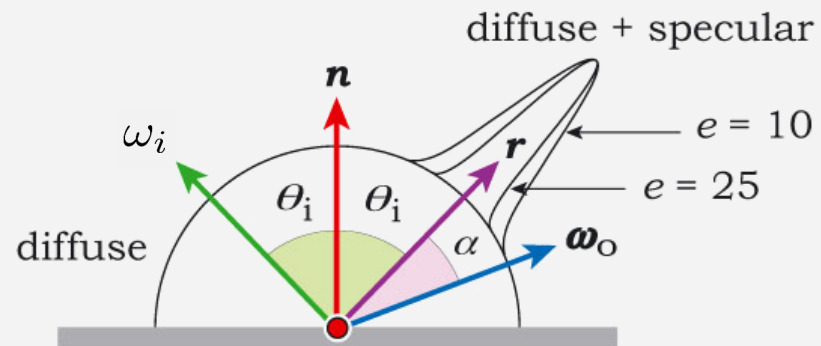
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# BRDF Properties

- Linearity
  - If a material is defined as a combination of BRDFs, the contributions of the BRDFs are added for the total outgoing radiance



Exitant radiance for incident radiance from  $\omega_i$  for a combined material (diffuse + specular,  $f_{r,d} + f_{r,s}$ )

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# Example – Mixed Diffuse / Specular Reflection

- Weighted average of diffuse and specular reflection

$$f_{r,ds}(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) = \alpha \frac{\rho_d}{\pi} + \beta \rho_s ((2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cdot \mathbf{n} - \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_o)^e$$

- Relation to Phong illumination model

- Normalized light source direction  $\mathbf{l}$ , viewer  $\mathbf{v}$ , normal  $\mathbf{n}$

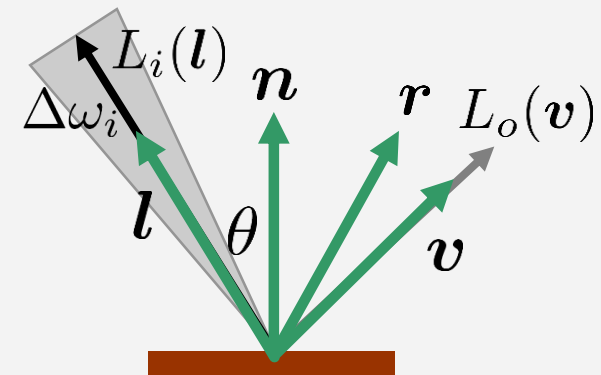
$$L_o^P(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi} L_i(\mathbf{l}) \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{l} + \rho_s L_i(\mathbf{l}) \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{l} (\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{v})^e$$

- Reflection equation

$$L_o^R(\mathbf{v}) = \int_{2\pi} f_r(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i, \mathbf{v}) L_i(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i$$

$$\approx f_r(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}) L_i(\mathbf{l}) \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{l} \Delta\omega_i$$

$$f_r(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}) = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi \cdot \Delta\omega} + \frac{\rho_s}{\Delta\omega} (\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{v})^e \Rightarrow L_o^P(\mathbf{v}) = L_o^R(\mathbf{v})$$



# BRDF Properties - Energy Conservation

Eric Veach: Robust Monte Carlo Methods for Light Transport Simulation, Ph.D. dissertation, Stanford University, 1997.

- Incident radiance / illumination from direction  $\omega_i = (\theta_i, \phi_i)$

$$L_i(\theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{\sin \theta_i \cos \theta_i} \delta(\theta - \theta_i) \delta(\phi - \phi_i)$$

- Irradiance

$$E = \int \int L_i(\theta, \phi) \cos \theta \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi = 1$$

- Exitant radiance in direction  $\omega_o = (\theta_o, \phi_o)$

$$L_o(\theta_o, \phi_o) = \int \int L_i(\theta, \phi) f_r(\theta, \phi, \theta_o, \phi_o) \cos \theta \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi = f_r(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_o, \phi_o)$$

- Radiosity

$$B = \int \int L_o(\theta_o, \phi_o) \cos \theta_o \sin \theta_o \, d\theta_o \, d\phi_o = \int \int f_r(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_o, \phi_o) \cos \theta_o \sin \theta_o \, d\theta_o \, d\phi_o$$

$$B \leq E \Rightarrow \int \int f_r(\theta_i, \phi_i, \theta_o, \phi_o) \cos \theta_o \sin \theta_o \, d\theta_o \, d\phi_o \leq 1$$

$$\forall \omega_i : \int_{2\pi} f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) \cos \theta_o \, d\omega_o \leq 1$$

# BRDF Summary - Properties

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- Definition:  $f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{dL_o(\omega_o)}{dE_i(\omega_i)} = \frac{dL_o(\omega_o)}{L_i(\omega_i) \cdot \cos \theta_i \cdot d\omega_i}$
- Positive:  $f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) \geq 0$
- Helmholtz reciprocity:  $f_r(\omega_o, \omega_i) = f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o)$ 
  - Incident and exitant radiance can be reversed
- Energy conservation:  $\forall \omega_i : \int_{2\pi} f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) \cos \theta_o d\omega_o \leq 1$
- Linearity
  - If a material is defined as a sum of BRDFs, the contributions of the BRDFs are added for the total outgoing radiance
$$\int (f_{r,1} + f_{r,2}) L_i \cos \theta_i d\omega_i = \int f_{r,1} L_i \cos \theta_i d\omega_i + \int f_{r,2} L_i \cos \theta_i d\omega_i$$

# BRDF Summary – Exemplary Materials

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– Diffuse

$$f_{r,d}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{\rho}{\pi}$$

– Mirror

$$f_{r,m}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \rho \frac{1}{\cos \theta_i \sin \theta_i} \delta(\theta_o - \theta_i) \delta(\phi_o \pm \pi - \phi_i)$$

– Specular

$$f_{r,s}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \rho \left( (2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \omega_i) \cdot \mathbf{n} - \omega_i) \cdot \omega_o \right)^e \quad \text{\small } n, \omega_i, \omega_o \text{ are represented with 3D normalized vectors}$$

# *Advanced Computer Graphics*

## *Materials 3*

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# Reflectance

- Ratio of outgoing flux to incident flux
  - Surface property, used in BRDFs
- Incident flux  $d\Phi_i = dA \int_{\Omega_i} L_i(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i$  ( $E = \frac{d\Phi}{dA} = \int_{\Omega_i} L_i \cos \theta_i d\omega_i$ )
- Outgoing flux  $d\Phi_o = dA \int_{\Omega_o} L_o(\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) \cos \theta_o d\omega_o$   
 $d\Phi_o = dA \int_{\Omega_o} \int_{\Omega_i} f_r(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) L_i(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i \cos \theta_o d\omega_i d\omega_o$
- Reflectance  
$$\rho(\Omega_i, \Omega_o) = \frac{d\Phi_o}{d\Phi_i} = \frac{dA \int_{\Omega_o} L_o(\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) \cos \theta_o d\omega_o}{dA \int_{\Omega_i} L_i(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i} = \frac{dA \int_{\Omega_o} \int_{\Omega_i} f_r(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) L_i(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i \cos \theta_o d\omega_i d\omega_o}{dA \int_{\Omega_i} L_i(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i}$$
- Various parameterizations of the reflectance can be considered for various configurations of  $\Omega_i, \Omega_o$

# Bihemispherical Reflectance

- Diffuse material

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(2\pi, 2\pi) &= \frac{d\Phi_o}{d\Phi_i} = \frac{dA \int_{2\pi} L_o(\boldsymbol{\omega}_o) \cos \theta_o d\omega_o}{dA \int_{2\pi} L_i(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i} \\ &= \frac{dL_o \int_{2\pi} \cos \theta_o d\omega_o}{dE(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i)} && \text{Exitant radiance is equal in all direction} \\ &= \pi \frac{dL_o}{dE(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i)} \\ &= \pi f_r(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) && \text{BRDF definition}\end{aligned}$$

- The reflectance in the BRDF for diffuse material is a bihemispherical reflectance  $f_r(\boldsymbol{\omega}_i, \boldsymbol{\omega}_o) = \frac{\rho(2\pi, 2\pi)}{\pi}$
- The ratio of exitant and incident flux is independent from the directions of incident and exitant flux



# Spectral Bidirectional Reflectance

- Spectral reflectance is wavelength dependent

$$\rho_{\lambda}(\Omega_i, \Omega_o) = \frac{d\Phi_{o,\lambda}}{d\Phi_{i,\lambda}}$$

- Diffuse spectral reflectance  
(spectrum represented with RGB values)

$$\rho_{\text{red}} = \pi \frac{dL_{o,\text{red}}}{dE_{\text{red}}} \quad \rho_{\text{green}} = \pi \frac{dL_{o,\text{green}}}{dE_{\text{green}}} \quad \rho_{\text{blue}} = \pi \frac{dL_{o,\text{blue}}}{dE_{\text{blue}}} \quad \text{RGB surface color}$$

- Diffuse spectral BRDF

$$f_{r,d,\text{red}}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{\rho_{\text{red}}}{\pi} \quad f_{r,d,\text{green}}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{\rho_{\text{green}}}{\pi} \quad f_{r,d,\text{blue}}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{\rho_{\text{blue}}}{\pi}$$

# Bidirectional Reflectance

- How much of the flux from an incident direction is reflected into an exitant direction

$$L_i(\omega_i) = \frac{d^2\Phi_i}{dA \cos\theta_i d\omega_i} \Rightarrow d^2\Phi_i = dA L_i(\omega_i) \cos\theta_i d\omega_i$$

$$dL_o(\omega_o) = f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) L_i(\omega_i) \cos\theta_i d\omega_i = \frac{d^3\Phi_o}{dA \cos\theta_o d\omega_o}$$

$$\Rightarrow d^3\Phi_o = f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) L_i(\omega_i) \cos\theta_i d\omega_i dA \cos\theta_o d\omega_o$$

$$d\rho(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{d^3\Phi_o}{d^2\Phi_i} = \frac{f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) L_i(\omega_i) \cos\theta_i d\omega_i dA \cos\theta_o d\omega_o}{dA L_i(\omega_i) \cos\theta_i d\omega_i}$$

$$d\rho(\omega_i, \omega_o) = f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) \cos\theta_o d\omega_o$$

- Dependent on incident and exitant flux directions

# Directional-Hemispherical Reflectance

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$$d\rho(\omega_i, \omega_o) = f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) \cos \theta_o d\omega_o$$

$$\rho(\omega_i, 2\pi) = \int_{2\pi} f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) \cos \theta_o d\omega_o$$

- The term  $0 \leq \int_{2\pi} f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) \cos \theta_o d\omega_o \leq 1$  represents the ratio of exitant flux into the hemisphere and incident flux from direction  $\omega_i$
- Another intuition for the energy conservation constraint of a BRDF

# Material Reflectances

- Diffuse, mirror, specular

$$f_{r,d}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi}$$

$$f_{r,m}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \rho_m \frac{1}{\cos \theta_i \sin \theta_i} \delta(\theta_o - \theta_i) \delta(\phi_o \pm \pi - \phi_i)$$

$$f_{r,s}(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \rho_s ((2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \omega_i) \cdot \mathbf{n} - \omega_i) \cdot \omega_o)^e$$

$\mathbf{n}, \omega_i, \omega_o$  are represented with 3D normalized vectors

- In a diffuse BRDF,  $\rho_d$  accounts for diffuse reflectance, i.e. the surface color. In glossy, specular, mirror BRDFs,  $\rho_m, \rho_s$  is typically  $(1, 1, 1)$ , i.e. white. The color of specular highlights converges towards the color of the light source.

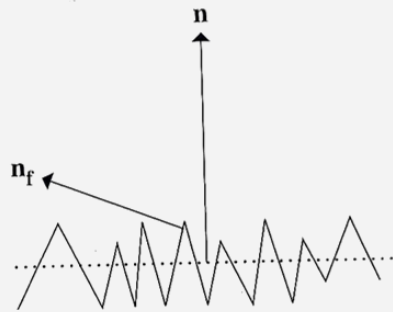
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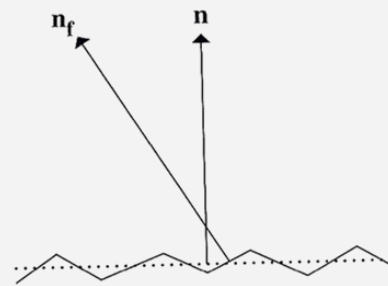
# Microfacet Model

- Light scattering at a surface is determined by the distribution of microfacets
- Facets reflect perfectly specular or perfectly diffuse
- Distribution of microfacet normals governs material



Rough surface

Large variation of facet normals



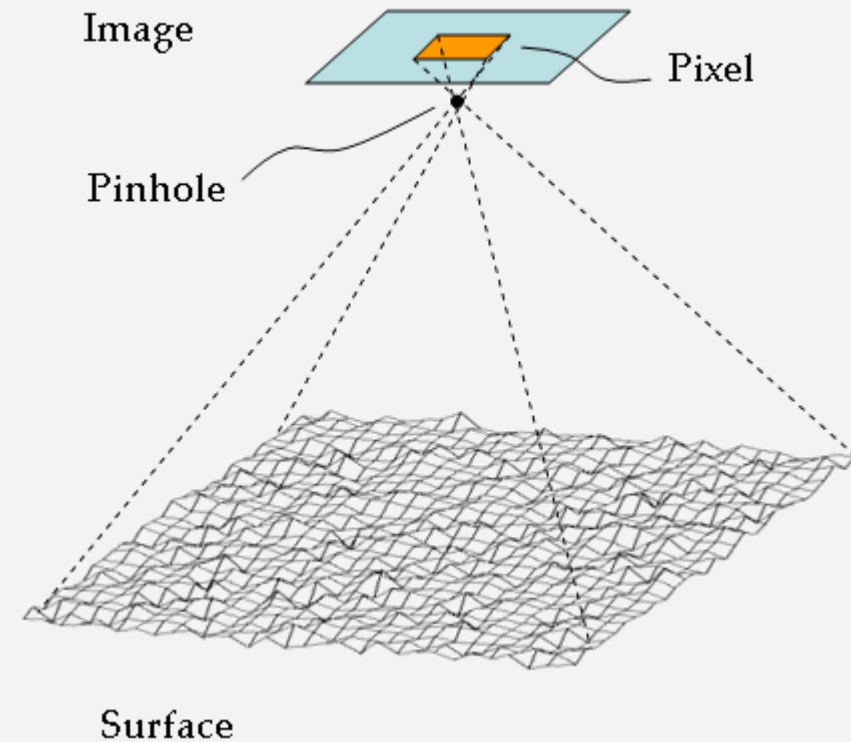
Smooth surface

Small variation of facet normals

[Pharr, Humphreys]

# Diffuse Reflecting Material

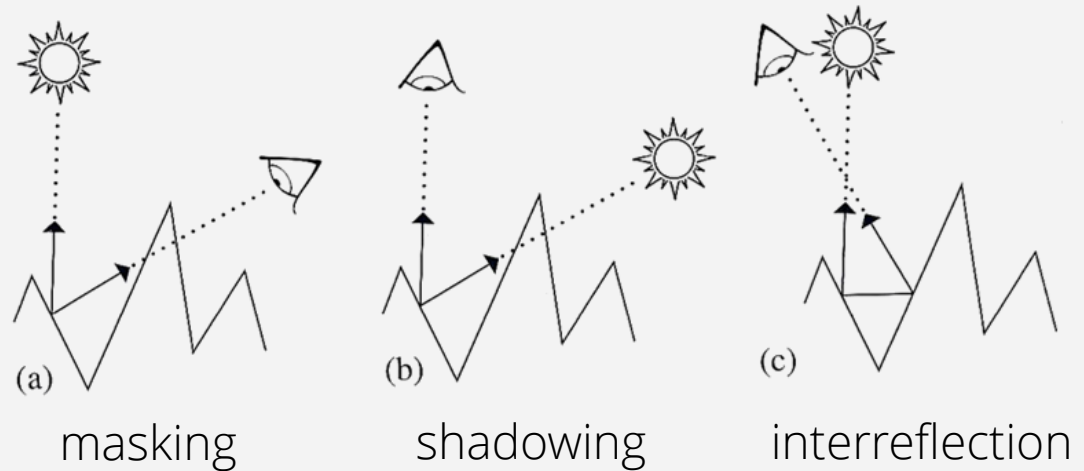
- Facets are perfectly diffuse
- Flux into a detector element is an aggregate value over many facets
- Due to local facet effects, the radiance is not perfectly Lambertian, but potentially view-dependent



[Wikipedia: Oren-Nayar reflectance model]

# Local Facet Effects

- Masking
  - Microfacet is not visible to the viewer
- Shadowing
  - Microfacet is not illuminated
- Interreflection
  - Microfacets illuminate each other (additional illumination)



[Pharr, Humphreys]



# Oren-Nayar Diffuse Material

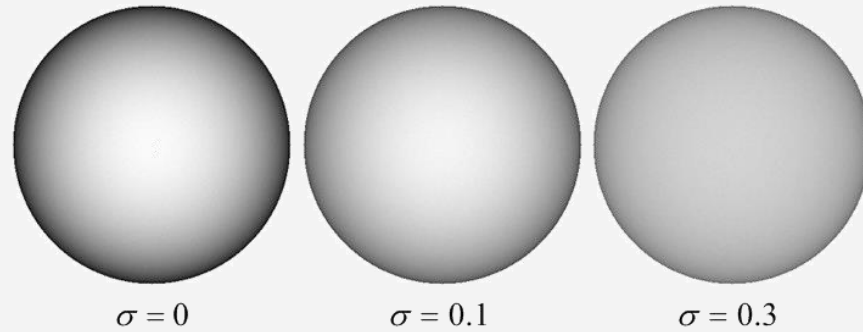
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- Models rough opaque diffuse surfaces
- Facets are Lambertian, symmetric V-shaped grooves
- Gaussian distribution models the facet normals
- Parameter  $0 \leq \sigma^2 \leq 1$  gives the variance of the angle between surface normal and facet normal
- viewer direction  $\omega_o = (\theta_o, \phi_o)$ , light direction  $\omega_i = (\theta_i, \phi_i)$
- BRDF  $f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi} (A + B \max(0, \cos(\phi_i - \phi_o))) \sin \alpha \tan \beta$

$$A = 1 - \frac{\sigma^2}{2(\sigma^2 + 0.33)} \quad B = \frac{0.45\sigma^2}{\sigma^2 + 0.09} \quad \alpha = \max(\theta_i, \theta_o) \quad \beta = \min(\theta_i, \theta_o)$$

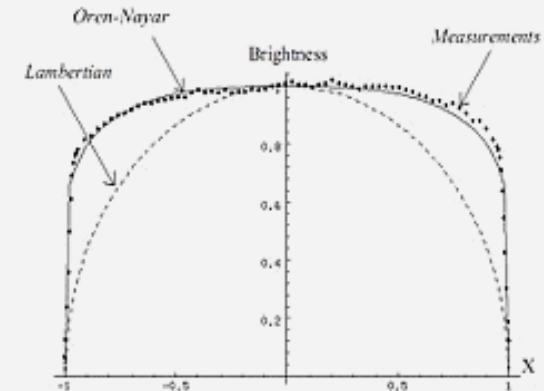
# Oren-Nayar Diffuse Reflectance

## – Results



[Wikipedia: Oren-Nayar reflectance model]

## – Comparisons [Oren,Nayar, ACM SIGGRAPH 1994]



# Oren-Nayar vs. Lambertian

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- Is brighter for large angles between viewer and surface normal compared to a Lambertian surface
- Gets brighter if the angle between viewer and light gets smaller
- Converges to a Lambertian surface

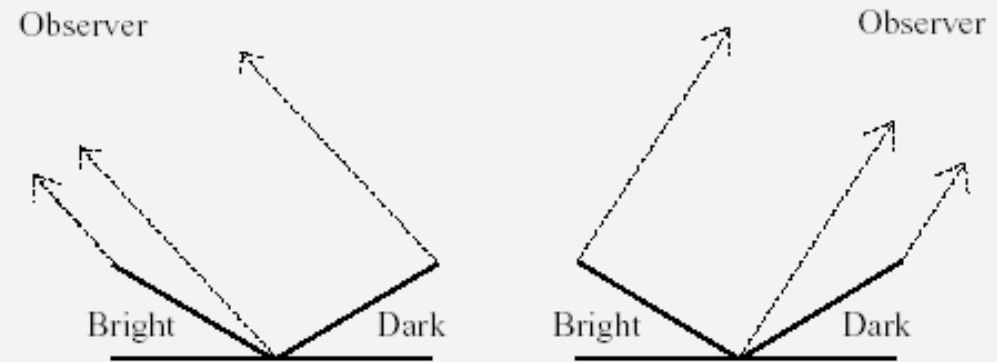
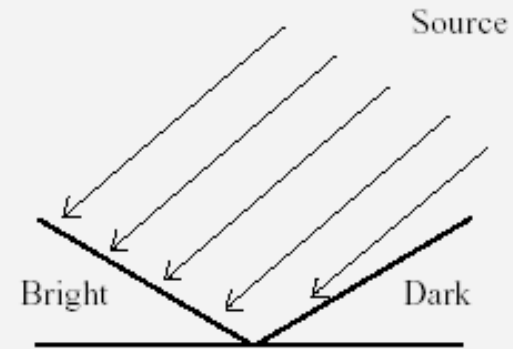
$$f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi} (A + B \max(0, \cos(\phi_i - \phi_o)) \sin \alpha \tan \beta)$$

$$A = 1 - \frac{\sigma^2}{2(\sigma^2 + 0.33)} \quad B = \frac{0.45\sigma^2}{\sigma^2 + 0.09}$$

- If all facets have the same normal, then  $\sigma = 0$ ,  $A = 1$ ,  $B = 0$ :  $f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{\rho_d}{\pi}$

# Oren-Nayar - View Dependence

- Different combinations of projected areas of dark and bright facets for different viewer directions
- Maximal brightness, if viewing direction corresponds to light direction



[Srinivasa Narasimhan

<http://www.cs.cmu.edu/afs/cs/academic/class/16823-f06/>]

# Torrance-Sparrow Specular Material

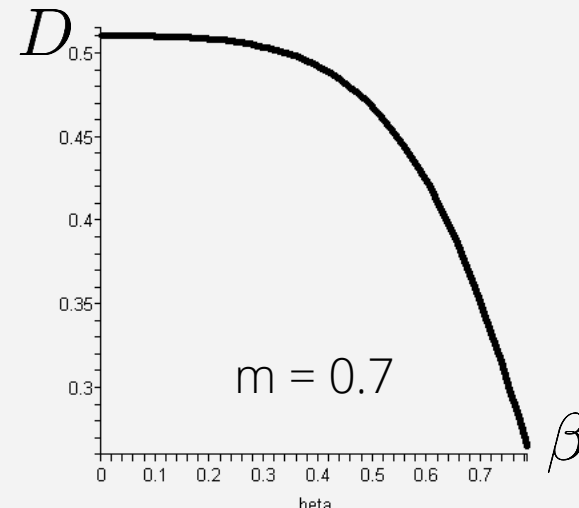
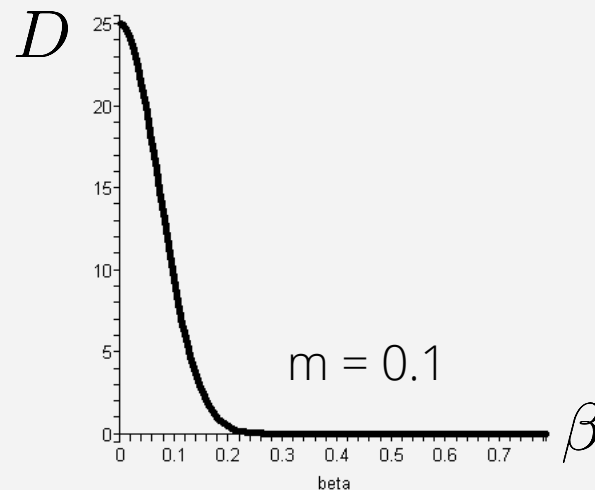
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- Models rough opaque specular surfaces
- Facets are perfect mirrors, symmetric and V-shaped
- Beckmann distribution models the facet normals
- Similar models: Cook-Torrance, Blinn
- Viewer direction  $\omega_o = (\theta_o, \phi_o)$
- Light source  $\omega_i = (\theta_i, \phi_i)$
- Halfway direction  $\omega_h(\omega_i, \omega_o)$
- BRDF  $f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \frac{D(\omega_h) G(\omega_i, \omega_o) F(\omega_o)}{\pi \cos \theta_i \cos \theta_o}$ 
  - D - Beckmann distribution
  - G - geometric term for shadowing
  - F - Fresnel term

# Beckmann Distribution

- Describes the roughness of the surface
- $m$  describes the roughness
- $\beta$  is the angle between halfway vector and surface normal

- $$D(\omega_h) = \frac{e^{-\frac{\tan^2 \beta}{m^2}}}{4m^2 \cos^4 \beta}$$



# *Geometric Term / Fresnel Term*

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- Geometric term
  - Accounts for self-shadowing effects of microfacets
- Fresnel term
  - Accounts for a varying absorbance / reflection ratio depending on the angle of incident flux (direction dependent reflectance)
  - Many surfaces reflect more strongly if illumination is nearly parallel to the surface

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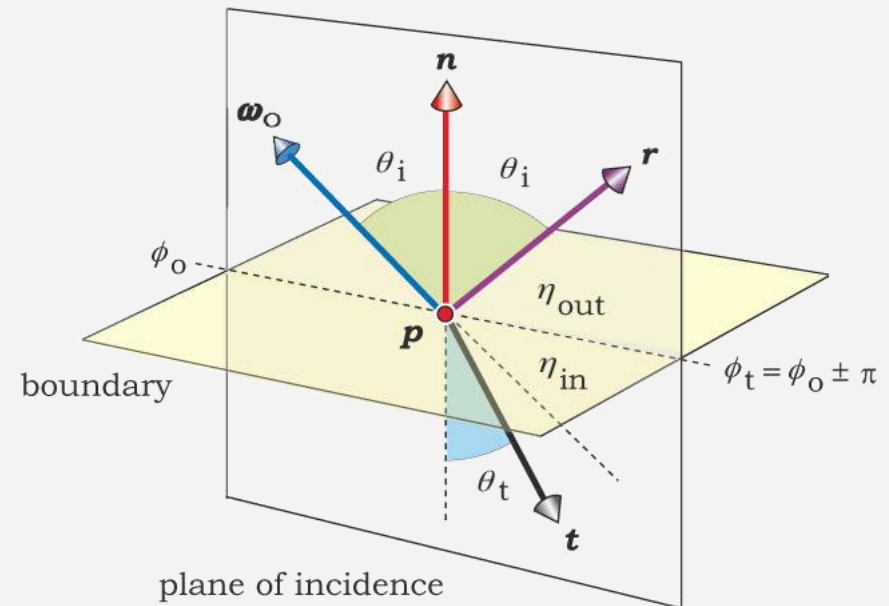
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# Concept

- Light is reflected and refracted at the interface between two transparent media
- Incident, reflected, and transmitted rays are in the same plane
- Direction  $\mathbf{t}$  is determined by  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_o$  and by the indices of refraction  $\eta_{out}$  and  $\eta_{in}$



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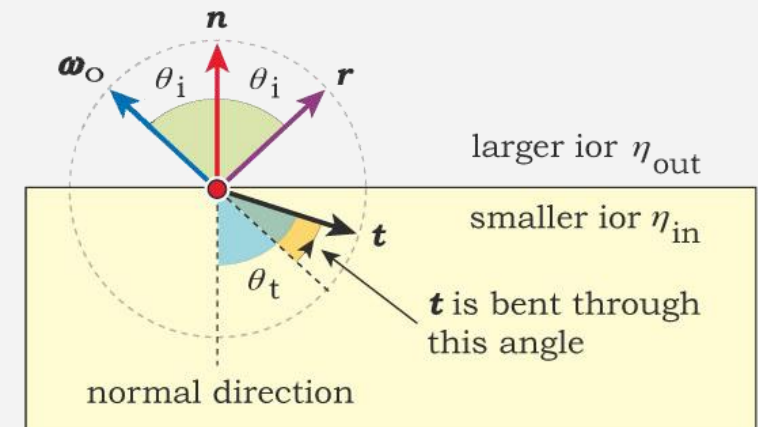
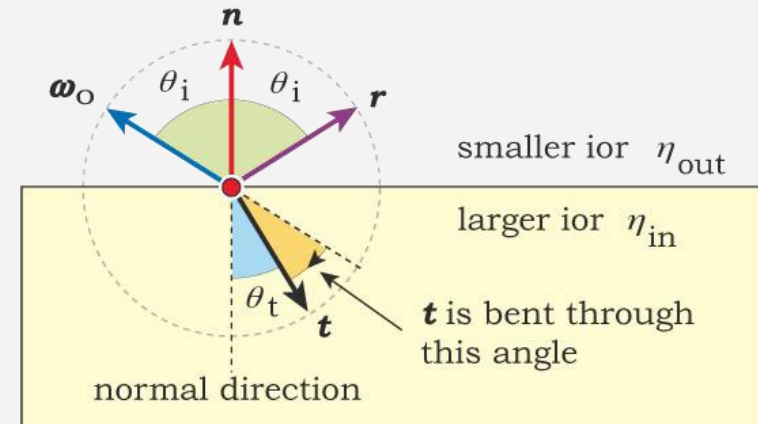
# Snell's Law

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- Materials are characterized by a refractive index
  - Ratio of the speed of light in vacuum and in the considered medium
  - Vacuum 1.0, air 1.0003, ice 1.31, water 1.33, glass 1.5
- Snell's law / law of refraction
  - $\frac{\sin \theta_i}{\sin \theta_t} = \frac{\eta_{in}}{\eta_{out}} = \eta$  Relative refraction index
- Transmission direction
  - $\mathbf{t} = \frac{1}{\eta} \boldsymbol{\omega}_o - (\cos \theta_t - \frac{1}{\eta} \cos \theta_i) \mathbf{n}$
  - $\cos \theta_t = (1 - \frac{1}{\eta^2} (1 - \cos^2 \theta_i))^{\frac{1}{2}}$
  - All vectors should be normalized, then  $\mathbf{t}$  is also normalized

# Snell's Law

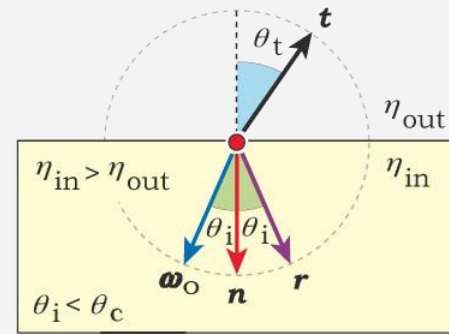
- For  $\eta > 1$ , transmitted rays are bent towards the normal
- For  $\eta < 1$ , transmitted rays are bent away from the normal



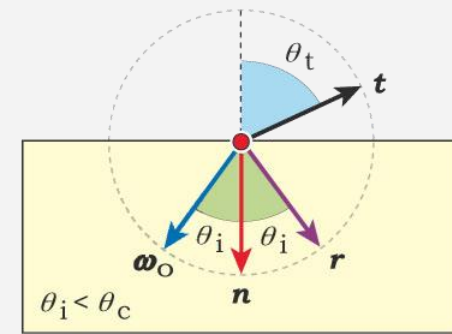
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# Total Internal Reflection

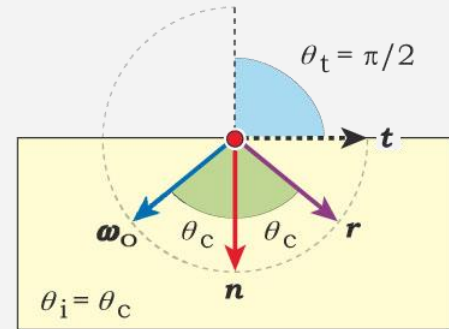
- For  $\eta < 1$  and  $\theta_i > \theta_c$  (critical angle), total internal reflection occurs
- Transmitted ray is bent towards the interface until the incident light ray reaches the critical angle
- For  $\theta_i = \theta_c$ :  $1 - \frac{1}{\eta^2} (1 - \cos^2 \theta_i) = 0$
- For  $\theta_i > \theta_c$ :  $1 - \frac{1}{\eta^2} (1 - \cos^2 \theta_i) < 0$



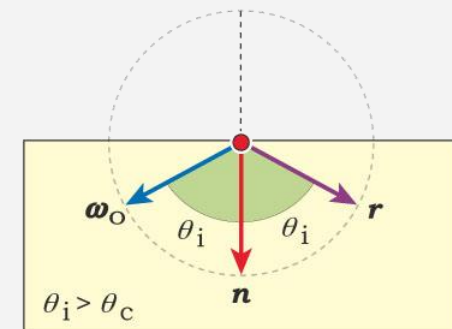
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

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# Reflectance Equation

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- Incident, BRDF weighted radiance is integrated over the hemisphere to compute the outgoing radiance

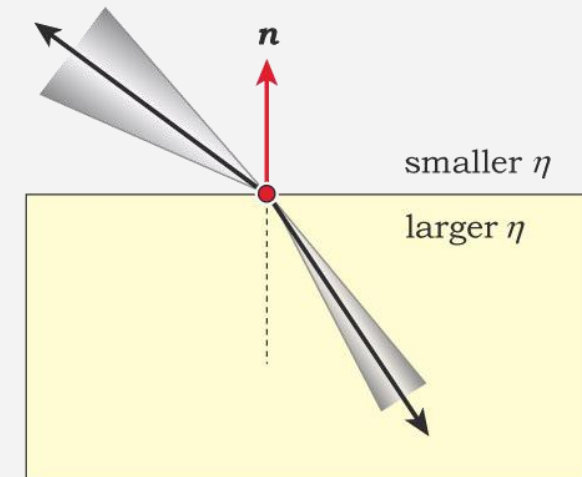
$$L_o(\omega_o) = \int_{2\pi} f_r(\omega_i, \omega_o) L_i(\omega_i) \cos \theta_i d\omega_i$$

- Can also consider transmitted light
- BTDF - bidirectional transmittance distribution function
  - $f_t(\omega_i, \omega_o)$  with  $\omega_i$  and  $\omega_o$  in opposite hemispheres
- BRDF and BTDF can be combined to a BSDF - bidirectional scattering distribution function

$$L_o(\omega_o) = \int_{4\pi} f(\omega_i, \omega_o) L_i(\omega_i) |\cos \theta_i| d\omega_i$$

# Specular Transmission

- Snell's law gives the direction of a refracted ray **and** its radiance change
- Motivation
  - Solid angle of a differential cone of incident radiance changes due to refraction
- $L_t = \rho_t \frac{\eta_t^2}{\eta_i^2} L_i$  with  $0 \leq \rho_t \leq 1$  being the transmission coefficient
- Resulting BTDF:  $f_t(\omega_i, \omega_o) = \rho_t \frac{\eta_t^2}{\eta_i^2} \frac{\delta(\omega_i - t(\mathbf{n}, \omega_o))}{\sin \theta_i |\cos \theta_i|}$



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# Specular Transmission

- Ray and radiance-transfer direction
- At point  $a$ , radiance transfer is from inside to outside

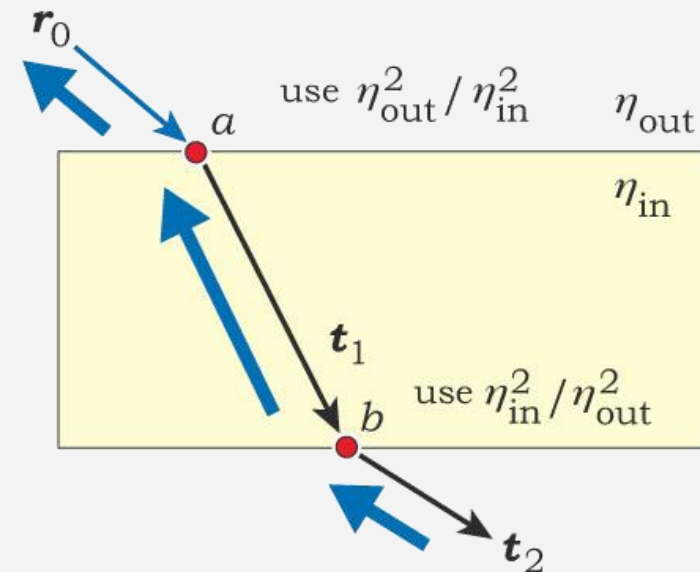
$$\eta_i = \eta_{in} \quad \eta_t = \eta_{out}$$

- At point  $b$ , radiance transfer is from outside to inside

$$\eta_i = \eta_{out} \quad \eta_t = \eta_{in}$$

- Radiance changes cancel when a ray enters and leaves a medium

$$L_t = \rho_t \frac{\eta_t^2}{\eta_i^2} L_i$$



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# Reflectance and Transmittance

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- Fresnel equations describe which fractions of incident light are reflected and transmitted
- Fractions depend on the refraction indices and on the incident light direction
- Fresnel reflectance  $F_r = \frac{1}{2} \left( \left( \frac{\eta \cos \theta_i - \cos \theta_t}{\eta \cos \theta_i + \cos \theta_t} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\cos \theta_i - \eta \cos \theta_t}{\cos \theta_i + \eta \cos \theta_t} \right)^2 \right)$
- Fresnel transmittance  $F_t = 1 - F_r$



# Reflectance and Transmittance

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- General form

$$F_r = \frac{1}{2} \left( \left( \frac{\eta \cos \theta_i - \cos \theta_t}{\eta \cos \theta_i + \cos \theta_t} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\cos \theta_i - \eta \cos \theta_t}{\cos \theta_i + \eta \cos \theta_t} \right)^2 \right)$$

- Normal incidence  $\theta_i = \theta_t = 0$

$$F_r = \frac{1}{2} \left( \left( \frac{\eta - 1}{\eta + 1} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1 - \eta}{1 + \eta} \right)^2 \right)$$

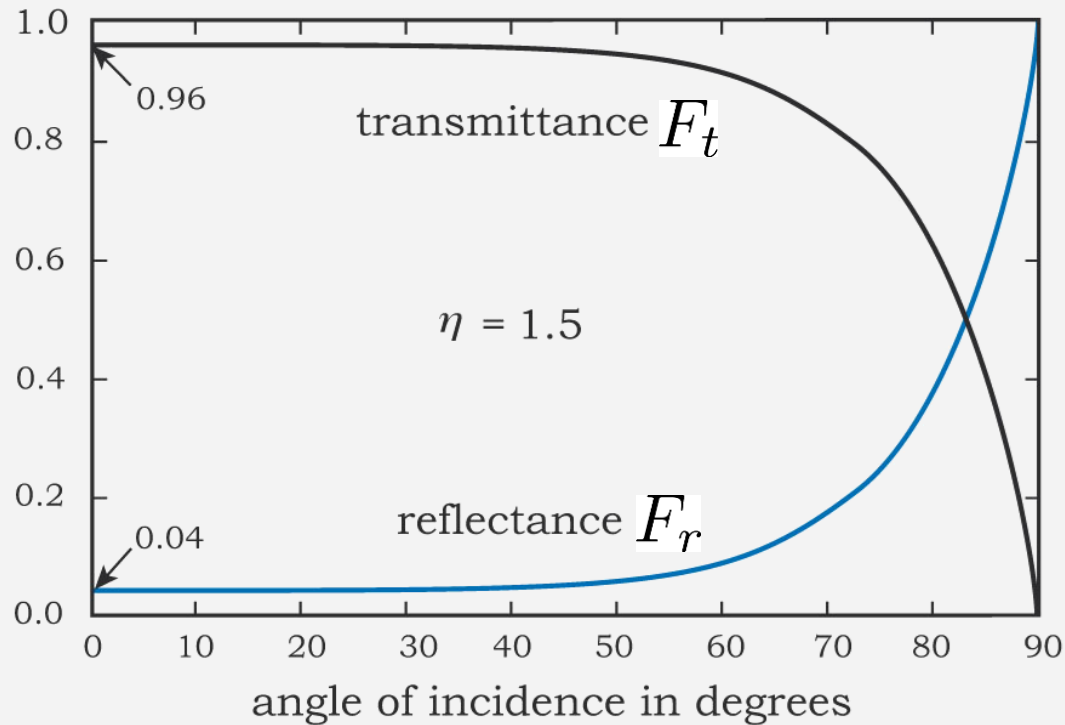
- E.g.,  $F_r = 0.04$  at the interface of air and glass with  $\eta = 1.5$

- Grazing incidence  $\theta_i = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$F_r = 1$$

# Reflectance and Transmittance

- Reflectance and transmittance of glass for varying incident angles



values are approximately constant up to 50 degrees

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# *Light Attenuation*

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- Transparent materials attenuate light
  - Light is scattered / absorbed along the ray
  - Radiance decreases exponentially with distance
  - Beer-Lambert law
  - Transparent materials are examples of participating media

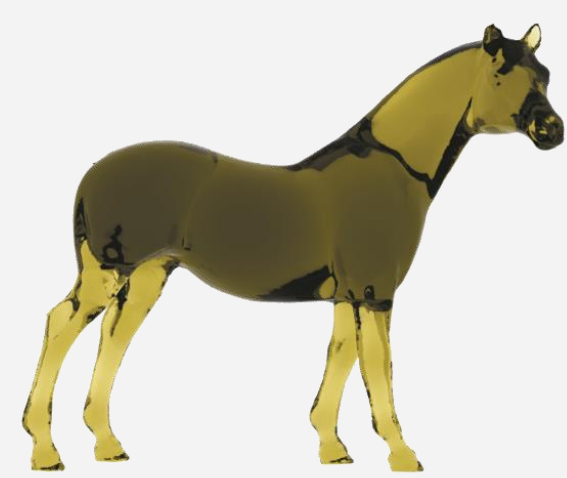
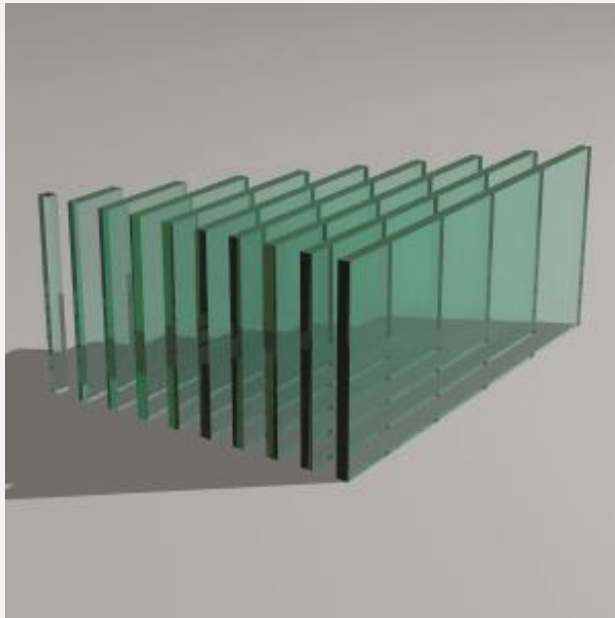
# Light Attenuation

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- $L_a = c_f^d L_b$
- $d$  is the distance inside a medium
- $L_a$  is exitant radiance,  $L_b$  is incident radiance
- $c$  describes the attenuation (wavelength-dependent)
  - $c = (1,1,1)$  - no attenuation
  - $c = (1,1,0.9)$  - blue is attenuated, resulting in a yellow appearance

# Light Attenuation

## – Examples



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